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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



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Applicant : Schwendeman, *et al.*  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.